

EDITOR'S LETTER

Celebrating 100 years of the *Journal of the Medical Library Association*

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The year 2012 marks the 100th year of publication of the *Journal of the Medical Library Association (JMLA)*. Volume 1, a 16-page issue published in July 1911, contained the "Address of the President, John H. Musser, M.D.," the minutes of the fourteenth annual meeting of the association, and a brief history of the association. Our name at that time was the *Bulletin of the Medical Library Association*. We kept that name until 2002, when we became the *JMLA*; the first issue under our new name ran to 160 pages, with 10 full-length articles and 3 brief communications.

In October, to mark our centennial, we will publish a special supplement reprinting ten to twelve of the most important papers published in the

BMLA/JMLA. Readers can nominate articles for that issue at www.tscott.typepad.com/jmla/. The supplemental issue will also contain additional discussion of our publication history. I hope this issue will be a valuable addition to our readers' bookshelves, whether physical or virtual.

However, while we are looking back, we are also moving ahead. We have recently added an associate editor for social media dissemination, Lauren M. Young, to our team. Many articles in the *JMLA* have relevance to an audience beyond health sciences libraries. Lauren is responsible for using social media to alert those who do not regularly read the *JMLA* to relevant articles that we publish. We also have a new team of three

associate editors for building projects: Jean P. Shipman, AHIP, FMLA, Joan M. Stoddart, AHIP, and Wayne J. Peay, FMLA. Look for their first annual column in our July issue. Next year, we will start another column, edited by Marcy L. Brown, AHIP. This one will be on virtual projects, since so much construction now involves websites rather than buildings. JovyAnne Rosario is our new editor for electronic resources reviews.

It is exciting to be the editor for the centennial year. Please join me in wishing the *JMLA* a happy 100th birthday!

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